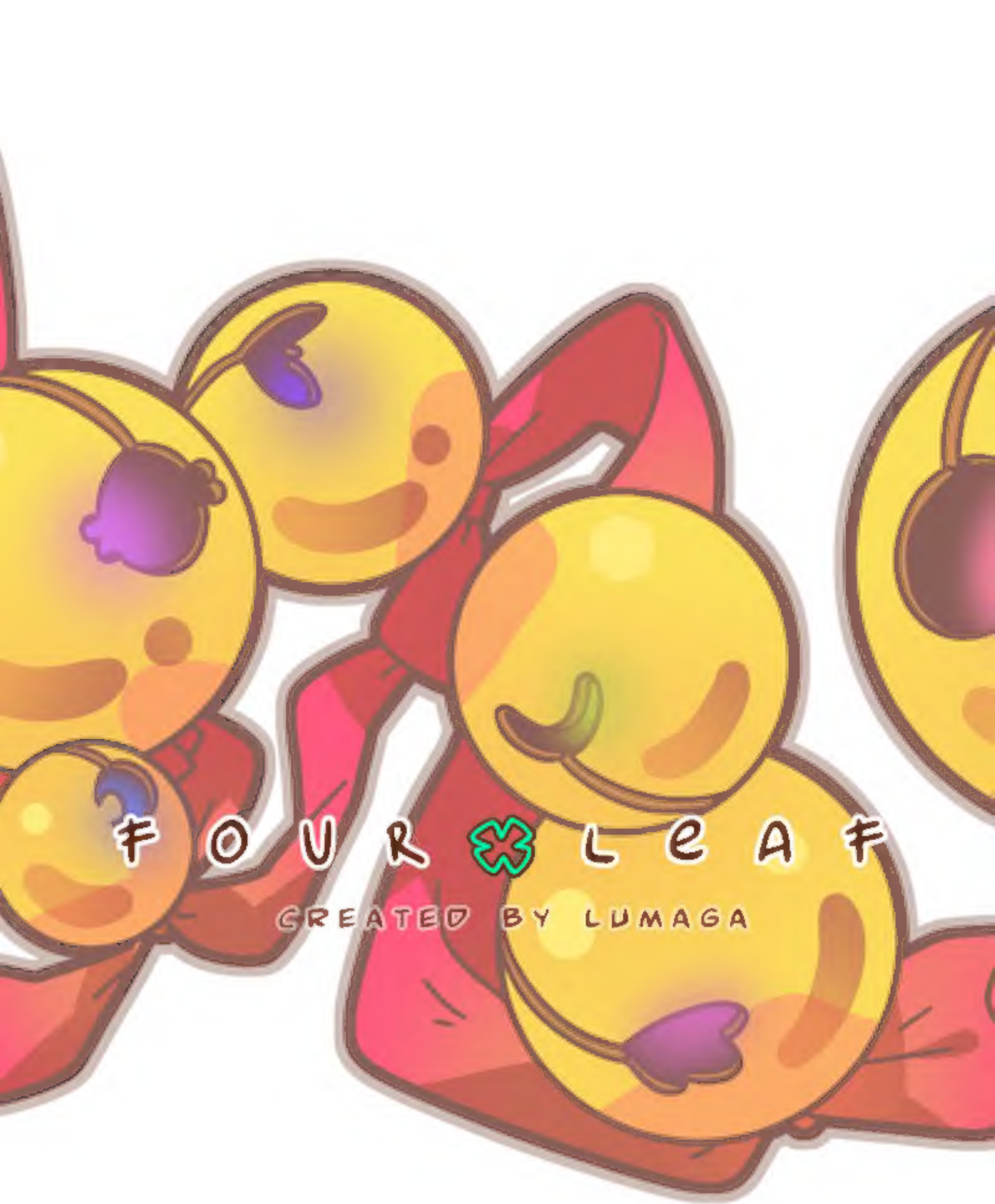
sigh...

ACTUALLY-

THERE'S SOMETHING...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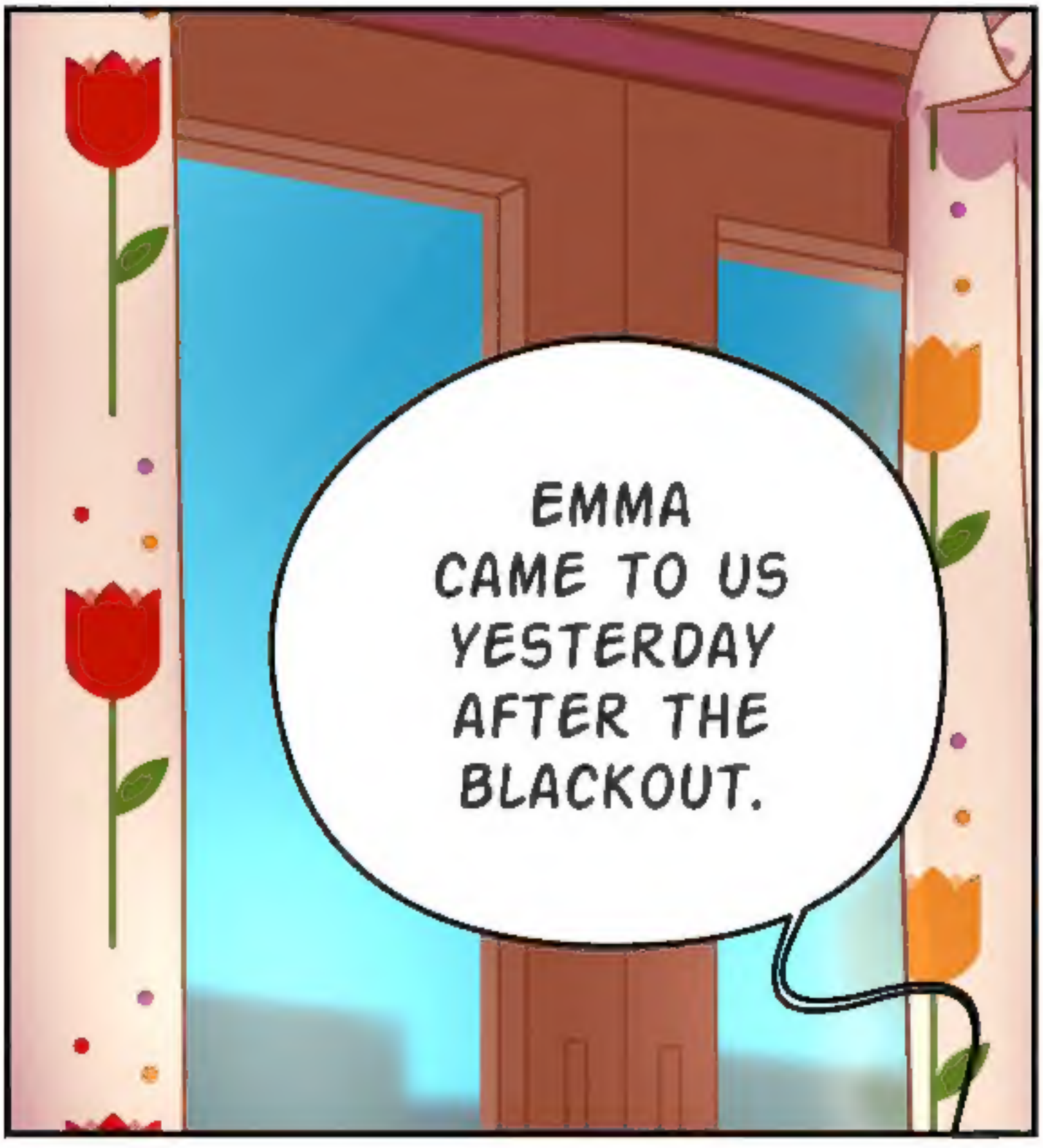
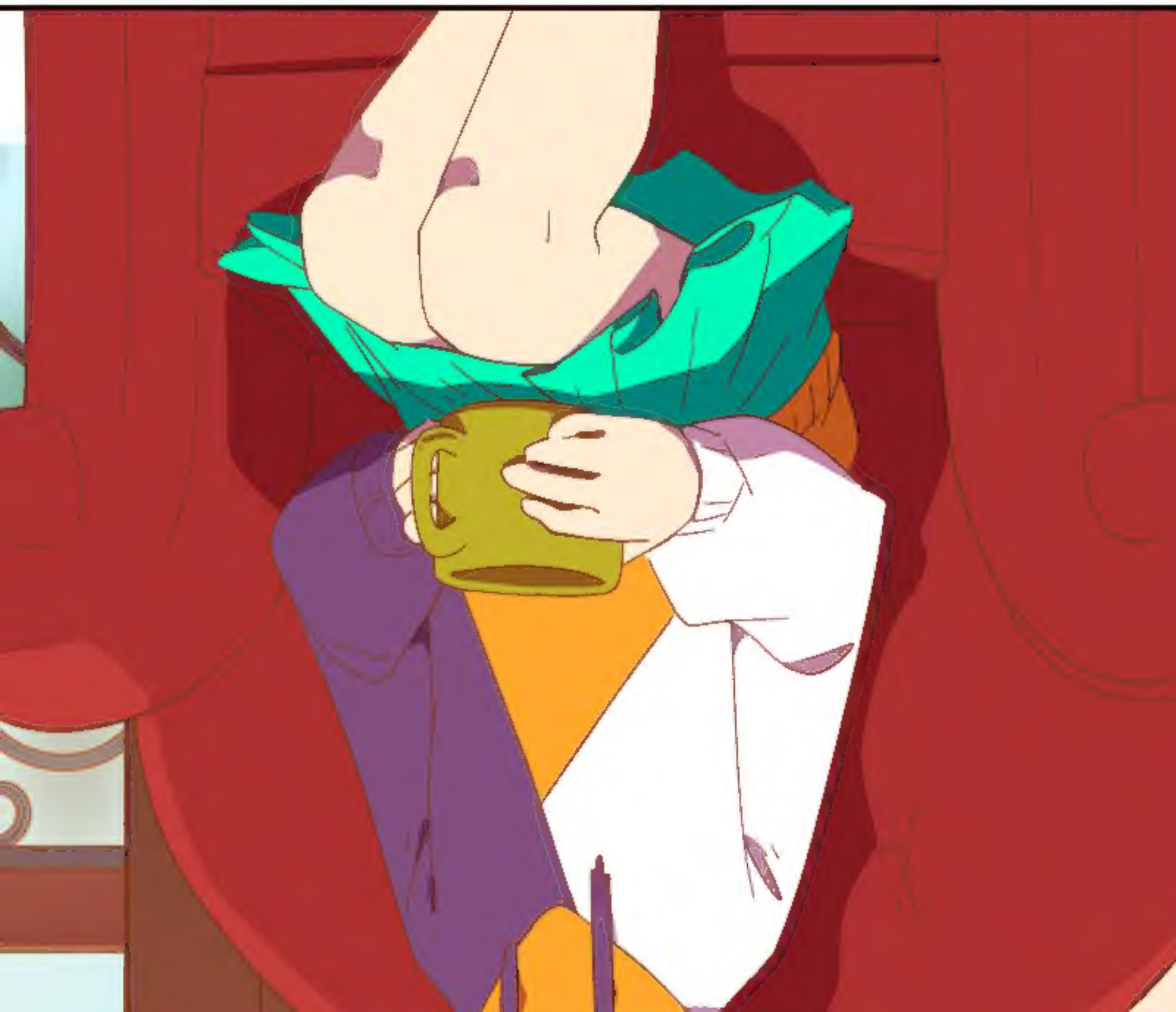

EMMA
CAME TO US
YESTERDAY
AFTER THE
BLACKOUT.

SHE TOLD US SHE HAD BEEN RECRUITED-

BY A NEW GROUP OF RED HOODS.



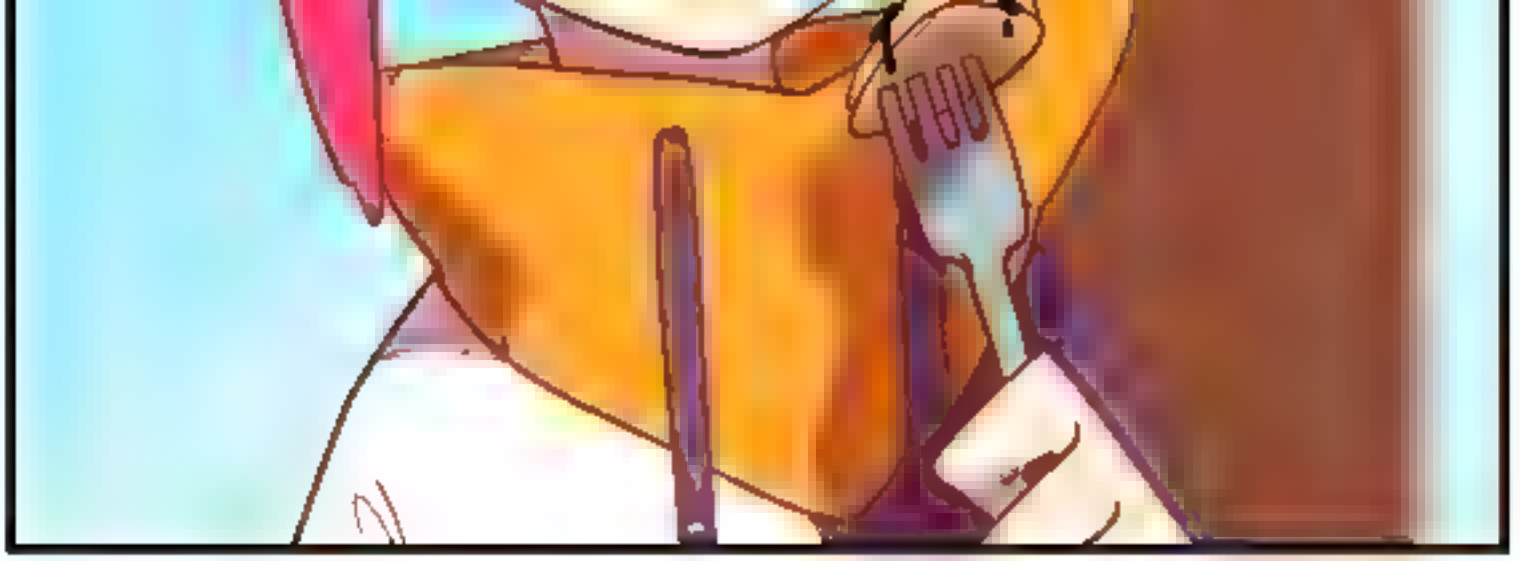
SHE DIDN'T TELL US MUCH ELSE.

Hum...

SHE WILL BE WAITING FOR THE RIGHT TIME TO ESCAPE.

DON'T WORRY.

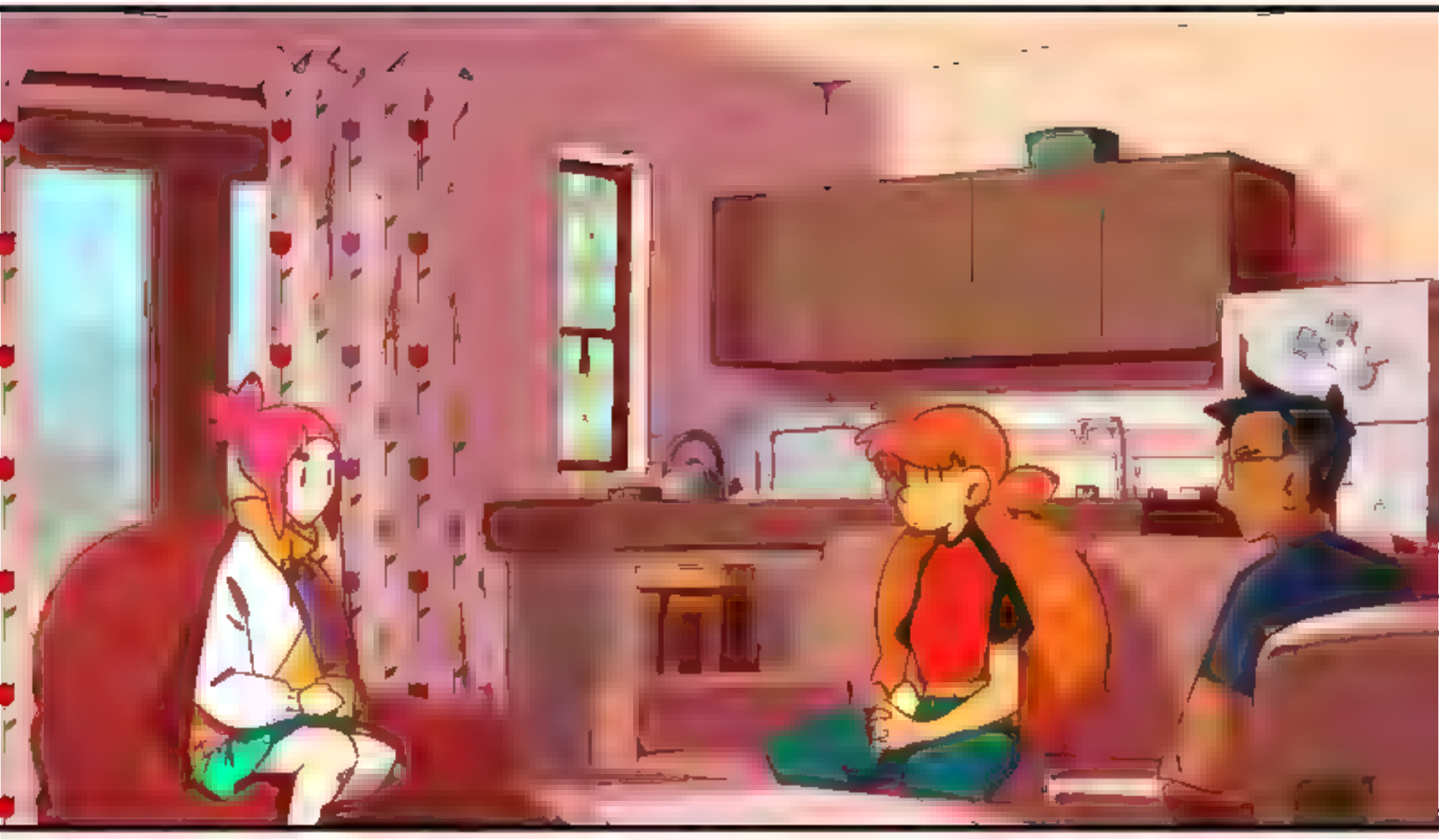
I KNOW ABOUT THEM.



YEAH.

THEY HAVEN'T BEEN VERY SUBTLE,

IT'S ALMOST AS IF THEY WANTED TO BE NOTICED.



THE HUNTERS SUSPECT THE WITCHES MIGHT HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE BLACKOUTS.

DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THAT?

NOT MUCH, TO BE HONEST.

I HEARD THERE HAD BEEN SEVERAL BLACKOUTS IN THE CAPITAL LATELY,
AND THERE WAS THE RUMOR THAT RIGHT BEFORE THEY HAPPENED, PEOPLE

COULD SEE COLORED SHOOTING STARS IN THE SKY.

THE SHOOTING STARS COULD ONLY MEAN FLYING WITCHES.

BUT PEOPLE DESCRIBED TO HAVE SEEN GROUPS OF THREE OR FOUR,

SO I WENT THERE TO SEE FOR MYSELF.

I SPENT A FEW NIGHTS PATROLLING THE CITY UNTIL I SAW THEM.

RIGHT BEFORE A BLACKOUT.

I COUNTED A TOTAL OF SEVEN DIFFERENT WITCHES.

WEARING RED CLOTHES.

FLYING.

HOW MANY BELLS DO YOU NEED IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO FLY AT HIGH SPEED LIKE

THAT?

AT LEAST FIVE.

I HAVE NO

I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT THEY'RE UP TO,

BUT THEY HAVEN'T HARMED ANYONE.

YET?

THE RED HOODS WERE CREATED TO HELP EACH OTHER ON OUR COMMON MISSION TO FIGHT THE WOLF.

NOT TO MESS WITH HUMANS FOR NO REASON.

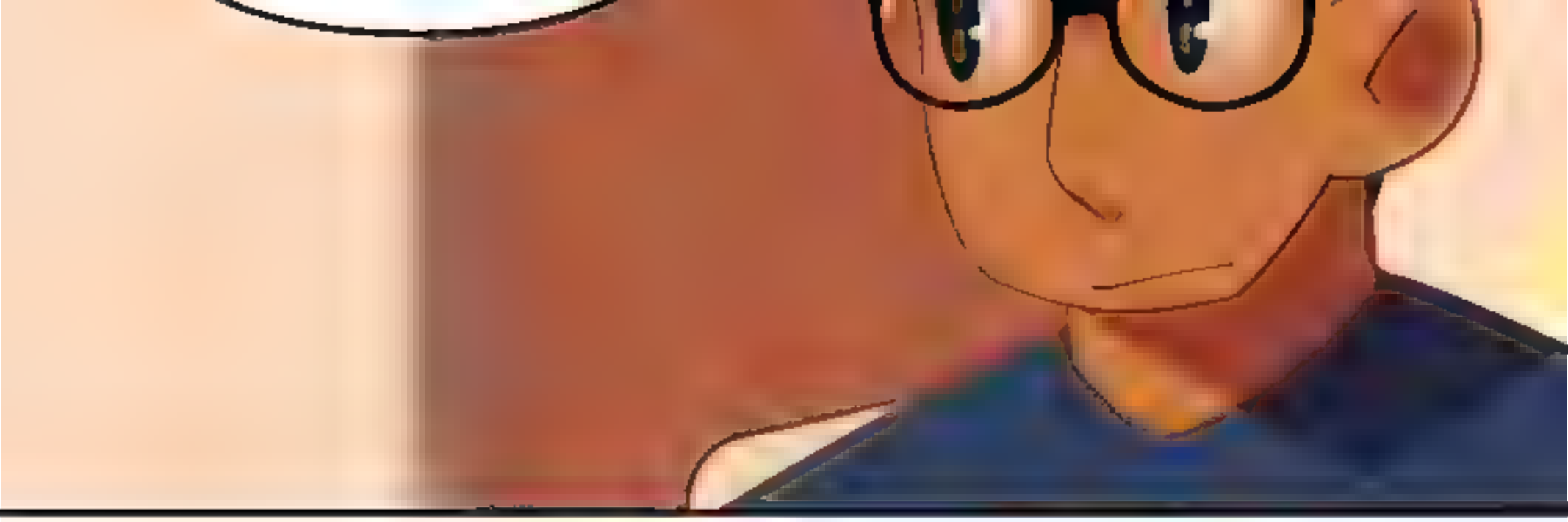
IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT, A NEW RED HOODS GROUP WAS MEANT TO HAPPEN.

AND IF THIS ONE GETS DISBANDED, A NEW ONE WILL TAKE ITS PLACE.

Gulp

I'LL KEEP AN EYE OUT, OF COURSE,

BUT I DON'T THINK THERE'S A REASON TO PANIC.



SOOO...
WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR TODAY?

OH,
WE'RE GOING
TO DEIDRI
VILLAGE WITH
MY FAMILY.

ALVAR'S
DAD SENT US
AN INVITATION
FOR THE NEW

YEAR.

IT'S BEEN YEARS SINCE THE LAST TIME HUGO WAS THERE,

SO MUCH THAT NOT EVEN THE TWINS OR LAU HAVE EVER VISITED.

I DON'T BLAME YOUR DAD,

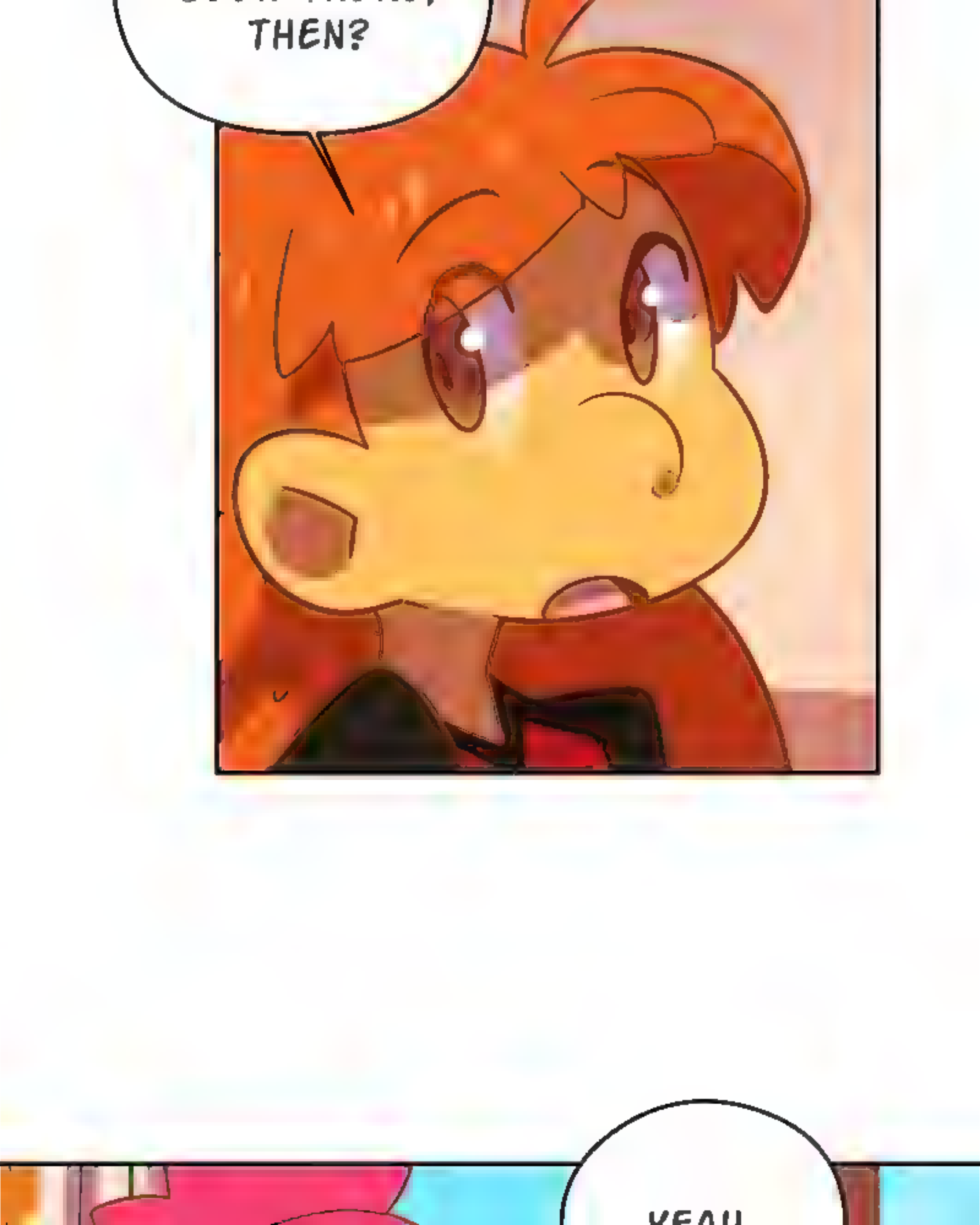
DEIDRI VILLAGE IS SUCH A BORING PLACE.

NO
OFFENSE.

MEH,

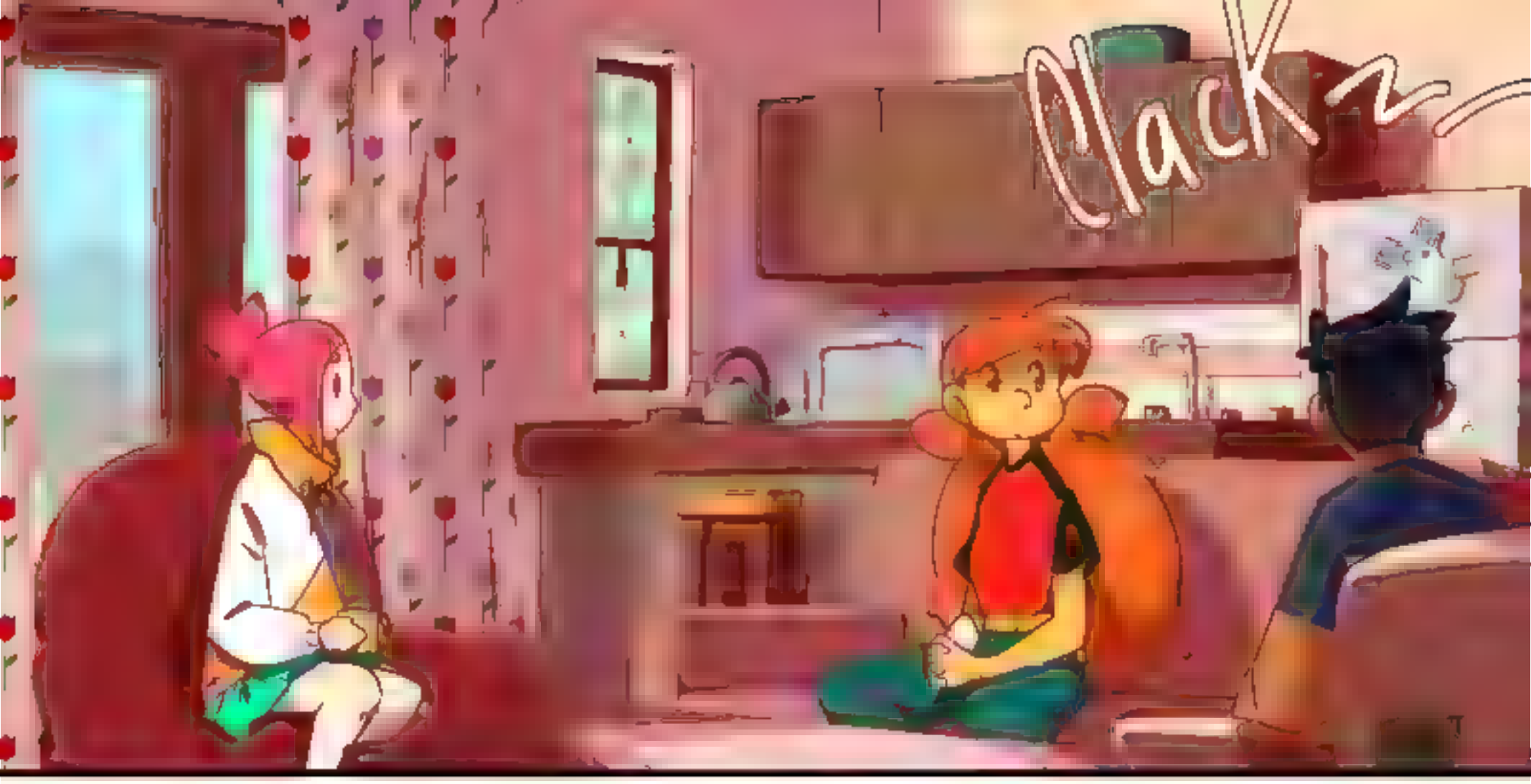
YOU'RE RIGHT.

YOU'VE BEEN THERE.


THEN?

YEAH...

I WAS CAPTURED BY HUNTERS ONCE-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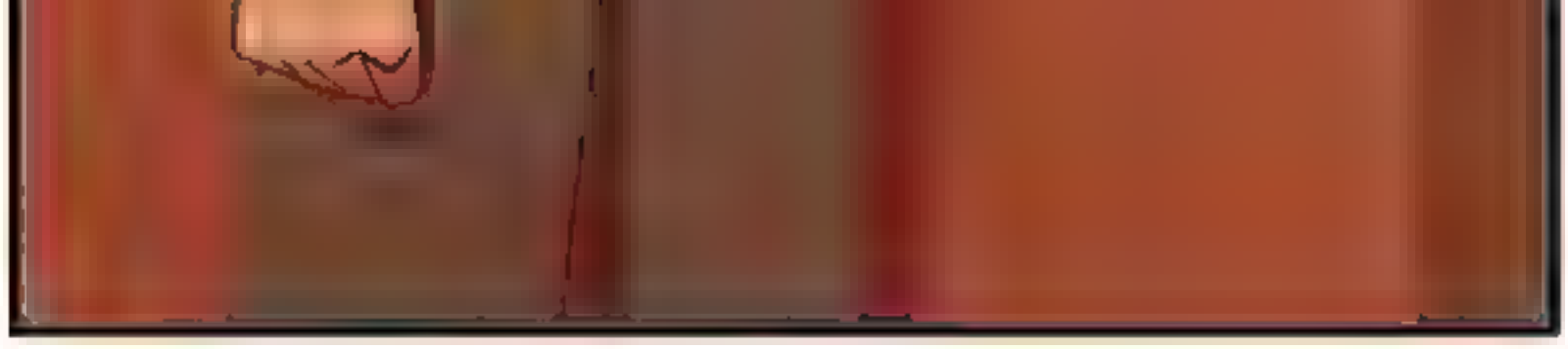

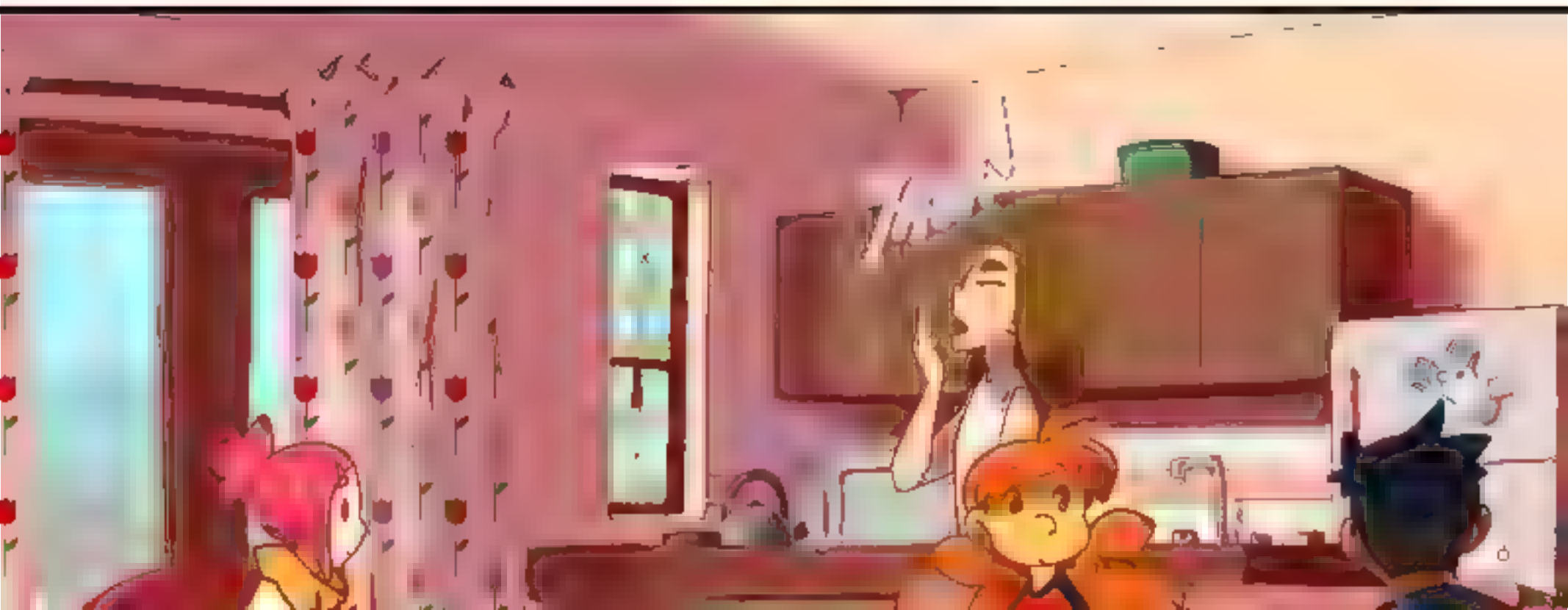

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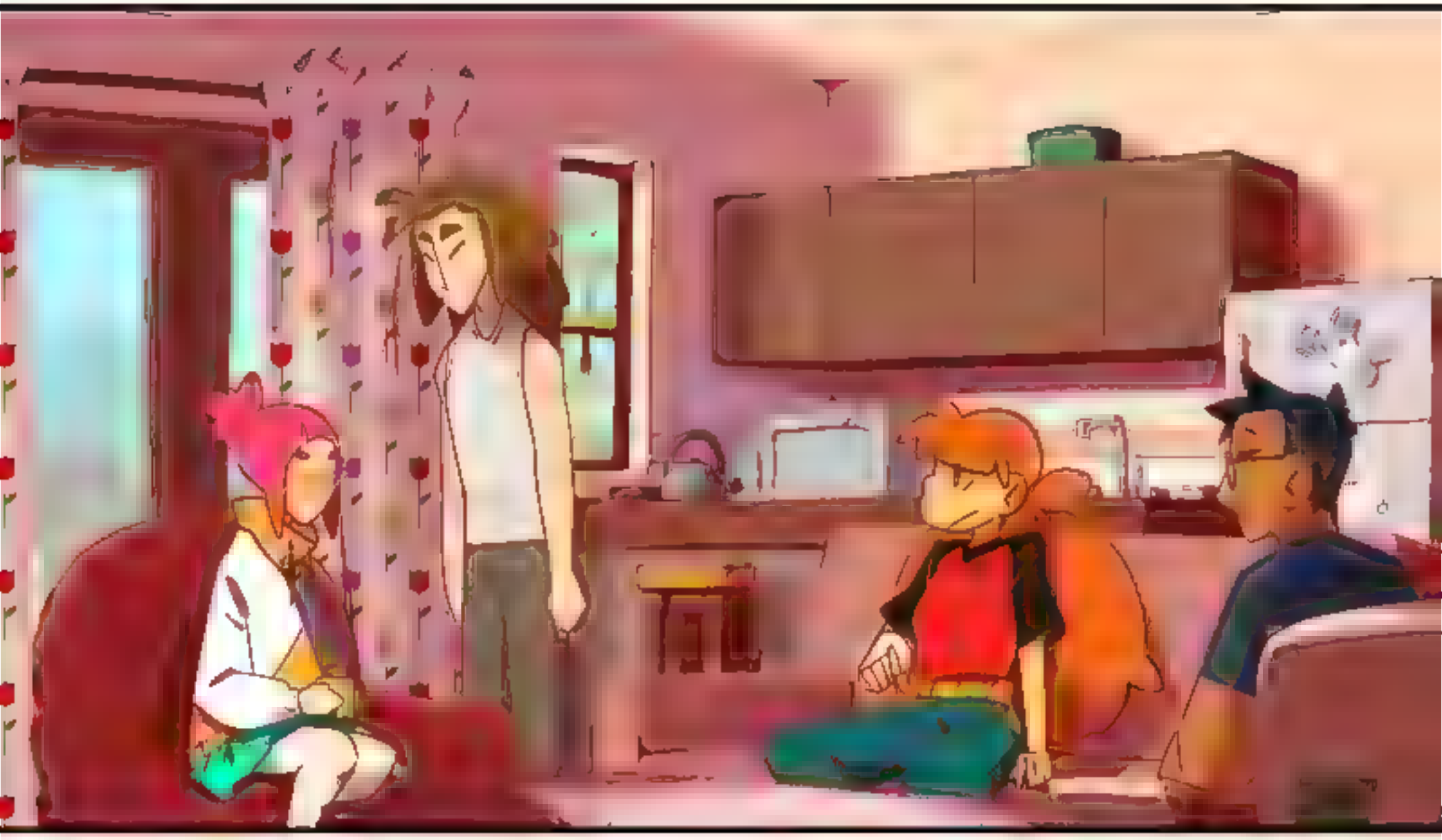

SAVE SOME PANCAKES FOR ME!

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